



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Consent Business

MEETING DATE: April 20, 2023

PREPARED BY: Chuck Stifter, Parks and Recreation Director

AGENDA ITEM: Ebike and Pedal Assist Bike Use – Ordinance Modification

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:
None

RECOMMENDED PARK BOARD ACTION:

Motion to approve a recommendation for consideration by City Council to modify City Code Sections 22-61 and 22-65 to allow operation of electric assist bicycles on any park or city trail.

COMMENTS:

The popularity of electric assist and pedal assist bicycles have risen significantly over the last five years. The state of Minnesota has recognized ebikes under the state definition of bicycle – Minn. Stats 169.011, subd.27. It is recommended the city follow with the same definition thus allowing use of such bicycles where traditional bicycles have been allowed within the city.

Following a positive review by the Board, this ordinance modification will be considered by Council.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Amendment to City Code Sections 22-61 and 22-65